

# **Cottonwood Heights**

# Weekly Update for the Week of January 15-21, 2017

## **City Manager**

- 1. Busy tying up the final edits on the February newsletter. Had to scramble to make the content fit after some late additions.
- 2. Legislative breakfast was held on Friday, Jan. 20 with all Senators and Representatives of Cottonwood Heights attending along with the Mayor, all Council Members and Executive staff. City officials shared their thoughts and priorities and allowed legislators to speak on their objectives relating to the upcoming Legislative Session which begins Monday January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **Police**

- 1. With heavy canyon usage for skiers we are have a rash of vehicle burglaries in the parking lots near the canyons.
- 2. We have Officer Braden Phelps starting at the academy this week and we expect to make job offers to two more lateral officers this week.
- 3. UFA will be recognizing 4 of our officers at the January 24, 2017 Council Meeting for their outstanding work on a medical patient in full arrest.

# **Community Development**

1. Brian forwarded the Fort Union Implementation Table back to the City Council following input made at the January 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **Administrative Services**

- 1. Final preparations were made for the Legislative Breakfast on Friday, January 20th.
- 2. The fire alarm recording was successfully changed so that it no longer refers to an elevator in the building.
- 3. Arrangement and details are being handled by Ann and Kim for the Volunteer Dinner that will be held at City Hall on Sat. January 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
- 4. Cable television has been scheduled for installation in the building on Tuesday, Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Public Works**

- 1. Congratulations to Danny Martinez for completing his probation period as Public Works Superintendent.
- 2. Crews focused on pothole repair this week as freezing and thawing temperatures continue to cause asphalt to loosen and dislodge.

# **Safety Moment**

A January 18th article in the Washington Post tells the tragic story of three utility workers in Florida who died when the first worker became unresponsive at the bottom of a 15 foot deep manhole and two others went in to save him. The article goes on to explain that a Key Largo firefighter also became overwhelmed by the fumes during the rescue and was in critical condition.

Confined spaces such as manholes, utility enclosures, storm drain pipes, etc. have the ability to hold toxic gases that are deadly. We need to remember how fragile life is and how easy it is to forget that these invisible toxic gases can be lurking in underground vaults, tightly sealed rooms where poisonous gases are stored, or similar situations. If you find someone unresponsive in these types of places it is always best to call for 911 and wait for trained professionals to assess the situation before entering.

### **Photos**



Figure 1 - The North end of the salt shed is now covered with metal siding. Photo Courtesy of Mike Allen



Figure 2 - Metal Wall sheeting is being installed on West Wall of the salt shed. Photo Courtesy of Mike Allen



Figure 3 - UDOT holds a Commission Meeting at Cottonwood Heights City Hall on Thur. Jan. 19th.



Figure 4 - Cottonwood Heights Council, Legislators and staff discuss upcoming legislative session. Photo Courtesy of Dan Metcalf



 $\textit{Figure 5-Cottonwood Heights Council, Legislators and staff discuss upcoming legislative session. Photo \textit{Courtesy of Dan Metcalf} \\$